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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: PFOR, WA

SUBJ: TRAVEL TO U.S. BY CHIEF KAPUUO

REF: STATE 205650

- 1. THROUGH GERMAN CONSULATE IN WINDHOEK AND GERMAN EMBASSY PRETORIA, CHIEF KAPUUO HAS SENT MESSAGE TO US. HE SAYS THAT FOLLOWING HIS APPEARANCE AT UN'S FOURTH COMMITTEE NOVEMBER 14 HE WOULD LIKE TO STAY IN U.S. FOR "A FEW DAYS" AND REQUESTS USG HELP HIM EXTEND HIS STAY. HIS TRIP FROM WINDHOEK TO NEW YORK AND RETURN BEING PAID BY UN. KAPUUO SAID HE EXPECTS HIS REQUEST FOR PASSPORT WILL BE GRANTED BY SAG.
- 2. FYI: A FEW MONTHS AGO KAPUUO PROBABLY WOULD HAVE ENCOUNTERED DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING PASSPORT. IT STILL NOT CERTAIN HE WILL INDEED BE ISSUED PASSPORT. HOWEVER, AS REPORTED IN PRETORIA 3551, KAPUUO IS NOW BEING COURTED BY SA OFFICIALS AND HIS PROSPECTS OF RECEIVING PASSPORT ARE MUCH IMPROVED. END FYI.
- 3. WE RECOGNIZE THAT DEPARTMENT MAY NOT WANT KAPUUO IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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U.S. UNDER USG AUSPICES AT THIS TIME. IF THIS IS SO,

WE COULD INFORM HIM THAT WE CONSIDERING HIM FOR IV GRANT, BUT POST'S PROGRAM NOT YET APPROVED AND WE UNABLE FUND VISIT RIGHT NOW.

4. HOWEVER, WE FEEL THAT IF SAG ISSUES KAPUUO A PASSPORT, IT WOULD IN EFFECT BE REFRAINING FROM OPPOSING HIS APPEARANCE BEFORE FOURTH COMMITTEE. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, KAPUUO HIGH ON OUR LIST OF LEADER GRANTEE NOMINEES. UNLESS DEPARTMENT HAS OVERRIDING OBJECTION, WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HIS FORTHCOMING PRESENCE AT NEW YORK AND EXTEND PARTIAL LEADER GRANT TO HIM FOR FULL 42-DAY VISIT, EXCLUDING INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL COSTS. THUS, WE RECOMMEND THAT, IF HE ISSUED A PASSPORT, WE INVITE HIM TO VISIT U.S. AFTER HIS UN APPEARANCE.

5. ADVISE. HURD

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